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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: FY 2009 Grants Involving Counter-Terrorism Coordination Activities by States and Territories, Funds Allocation Process

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TO: Water Management Division Directors
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The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you that the Office of Water has revised the funding allotments for Drinking Water Homeland Security Grants in fiscal year 2009. Since 2002, funding has been made available to States and Territories to support counter-terrorism coordination activities for drinking water systems. Due to low utilization of this funding, this grant program has been eliminated after fiscal year 2009. To expedite the use of the funds appropriated in 2009, the Office of Water has targeted funding to States and Territories with a history of higher utilization.

Prior to this fiscal year, the Agency has used a modification of the basic Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) grant formula to allocate funding of these grants. In 2009, the Office of Water adjusted the formula to recognize those States which utilized 100% of their allotments over the last three fiscal years. These States received additional funds on top of their usual share of the PWSS allotment.

Appropriately and fully utilizing funding is of paramount importance to responsible fiscal management and the goals of our Office of Water programs. To that end, we are recognizing those States who are working toward fulfilling this commitment, as we work toward achieving our security program priorities.